

Anti-Slavery Office,

New York, 21 April, 1862.

My Dear Garrison,

I am glad to be assured
of your purpose to prepare, in season,
the resolutions ^{needed} ~~needed~~ for our Anniver-
sary; and I hope that nothing will
occur to prevent you from doing
so. A failure would be a serious
misfortune. I trust you will
"take time by the forelock," and let
me have the resolutions (or statement)
^{complete} in ~~the~~ season for our printers to
put in type on the Monday pre-
ceding ^{the} Anniversary. Then we can
succeed in getting the official exposi-
tion of our relations to the govern-
ment promptly before the public—
a matter of high importance this
year. Pray let Whipple take the

paper off your hands, that you may gain the necessary leisure.

It would be well to announce the speakers for each ~~meeting~~^{meeting} this week, but it should be done without fail next week. Indeed I ought to know the names of the speakers for the different meetings next week, in order to advertise them in the papers and on the anniversary cards. However, as I may, perhaps, have before told you, prefers to speak on Tuesday evening.

We ought this year to take a collection at the Tuesday a. m. meeting, without fail. We shall take no fee at the door,

and there will be hundreds there
willing to contribute something to
our treasury. The opportunity ought
not to be lost, as our business
meetings this year will be small,
affording little chance to get
money.

Will Yerrinton come to re-
port? I hope so, by all means.
No one, to be compared with
him for competency, can be
obtained here. But let me
know at once whether I am
to expect him, or to engage
some one else.

Perhaps most of this letter
ought to be addressed to Mr.
May rather than to you; but
if you will let him see it, it

will be all the same.

Yours, faithfully,

Oliver Johnson.

P.S. I send you my visit-
ing card, fresh from the artist.
My friends here think it un-
commonly good.

Does Mr. May consent that
Phillips shall speak Wednesday
evening rather than Tuesday even-
ing? I hope so, for I am afraid
Tilton will back down, if he
cannot have his former yoke-fellow.

O. J. Johnson. April 21, 1862